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Honeywell Inc., EP0 502 222 A; United Technologies Corp. WO 94 03786 A; and Motamedi M.E. et al. ("Development of Micro-Electro-Mechanical Optical Scanner", Opt. Eng. 36(5) 1346-1353, May 1997) --- contained in this Information Disclosure Statement were cited in a

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